

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 695

By Crowe

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Carmon E. Dugger, Sr.,  
of Elizabethton.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of  
the passing of Carmon E. Dugger, Sr.; and

WHEREAS, Carmon E. Dugger, Sr., was an exemplary public servant and consummate  
professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in  
numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, born on July 17, 1929, to E.F. and Maude Dugger, Carmon Dugger  
attended schools in Southside and Elizabethton City; and

WHEREAS, he joined the United States Marine Corps in 1948 and served in Japan and  
Hawaii during the Korean War; and

WHEREAS, after his discharge, Mr. Dugger signed to play AA baseball with the St.  
Louis Cardinals; he later played in independent leagues and worked at various jobs while  
playing ball; and

WHEREAS, in 1966, Carmon Dugger became the first Parks and Recreation director for  
the City of Elizabethton, in which position he earned the respect of peers and superiors alike for  
the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, he renovated a farm house into the first senior citizens  
center, converted the National Guard Armory into the City Recreation Center, built a linear park,  
organized golf tournaments, and constructed the baseball field, dugouts, and stadium; and

WHEREAS, he was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to  
remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Carmon Dugger enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife of sixty-four  
years, Charlotte Hendrix Dugger; he was the proud parent of five children, Carmon E. Dugger,

Jr., Catherine D. Harper, Christine G. Dugger, Curtis P. Dugger, and Charles F. Dugger; the loving grandparent of five grandchildren, Martha Dugger, Christin Dugger, Adam Dugger, Brian Dugger, and Ellie Dugger; and four great-grandchildren, Karlei, Maggie, Ashton, and Helaiyna; and

WHEREAS, Carmon Dugger leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Carmon E. Dugger, Sr., reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Dugger.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.